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TAGS: PINT KS

SUBJECT: ROK MEDIA

1. AP HAS FILED STORY DATED LINED SEOUL MAY 20 WHICH DESCRIBES WRITTEN PROTEST LODGED BY SEOUL (FOREIGN) CORRESPONDENTS CLUB WITH MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION (MCUI). PROTEST ALLEGES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, MISTREATMENT OF LOCAL STRINGER FOR NYT BY ROK PLAINCLOTHESMAN AND MANHANDLING OF AP BUREAU MEMBER. BOTH MEN KOREAN CITIZENS. STORY ALSO ALLEGES DELAYED ROKG CUSTOMS CLEARANCE OF TV FILM. AP ACCOUNT REFERS TO FILM OF ONE UNIDENTIFIED AMERICAN NETWORK BEING DELAYED IN SHIPMENT TO U.S. NETWORK IN QUESTION IS CBS. LOCAL CBS STRINGER DISCUSSED DELAY WITH PAO BUT DID NOT ASK EMBASSY ASSISTANCE OR REQUEST ANY EMBASSY APPROACHES TOWARD ROKG WITH REGARD TO DELAY. NO OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN MEDIA HAVE DISCUSSED INCIDENTS OR PROTEST WITH US SO FAR.

2. WILL BE DISCUSSING PROTEST WITH NEWSMEN TODAY AND WILL FILE ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS AVAILABLE.  
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